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NOTE FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
FROM : Deputy Director for Intelligence
SUBJECT : Sanitized Version of Paper Given
to Joint Economic Committee

As is the case every year, the Joint Economic Committee has asked that we sanitize (i.e. declassify) my presentation to the Committee earlier this fall.

The material is straightforward and most of the potentially controversial aspects-- defense spending in particular--have already been in the press. Nonetheless, you may wish to skim it. The sections which allude to our discussions on defense spending are on pages 9, 18, 27, and 43. I think they are basically all right but want you to be aware. On page 9 I am asking SOVA to include a paragraph or two on the capabilities of Soviet forces and to point out that the trends in defense spending need to be viewed in the context of actual expenditures and capabilities, particularly vis a vis the US.

Unless you have some serious problems, I will plan to clear the attached, subject to the revision I noted above on page 9.


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